

FAST MAIL TO AND FROM RICHMOND

Favorable Report on the Bill to Increase the Service.

CENSUS ENUMERATORS.

Dr. Wise Says He is Experiencing Trouble in Finding Competent Republicans for the Sixty-One Positions.

Washington Bureau, The Times, No. 615 Fourteenth Street.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Special.—The Senate Committee on Claims to-day authorized a favorable report on the bill to pay the heirs of William Pollock, late of Stafford county, Va., \$32,500, for property taken by the Federal Army during the civil war. The same committee also made an adverse report on the claim of William Busby, of Alexandria, for supplies furnished military prisoners during the late war.

Major Oley called on the auditor of the War Department to-day with reference to securing an extra month's pay for C. S. Adams, of Lynchburg, who served with the Third Virginia Regiment during the war with Spain.

The complaint made to the supervising architect that the construction of the public building at Norfolk was being delayed, has been investigated by an agent of the department, who reports that the work is being performed as rapidly as consistent with thoroughness.

CENSUS ENUMERATORS. Representative Wise, of Virginia, has been notified by the Director of the Census that he has the appointment of 61 enumerators in his district, who must be named before April 4th. Dr. Wise says he is experiencing difficulty in securing competent Republicans in his district who will accept these offices at the small salary paid by the government for this kind of work.

The House Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce has made a favorable report on the bill to establish a lightship and fog-signal station at Cape Charles, Virginia, and recommended that \$50,000 be appropriated for the construction of the proper lightship and fog signal.

House Sub-Committee on Post-Offices and Post Roads to-day submitted a favorable report to the full committee, recommending that \$100,000 be appropriated for the increase in the fast mail service to and out of Richmond.

Representative Rhea, of Virginia, returned to the city to-day from his home at Bristol, where he has been called on at a moment of serious illness in his family.

Representative Quarles also returned to the city to-day from a visit to Staunton, where he has been attending to business.

PERSONAL MENTION. Hon. George Bowden and Morgan Treat, of Norfolk, are in the city, and were at the Capitol to-day looking after pending legislation before Congress of interest to Virginia.

The officers and employees of the Secretary's office of the Senate held a meeting to-day to express their feelings of high personal regard for General W. R. Clark, of North Carolina, the late Secretary. Appropriate resolutions were adopted, which will be communicated to him at an early date.

These Virginia postmasters have been commissioned: Samuel B. Phelps, Elsie, Maggie S. Stephens, Leesville.

HALIFAX MURDER TRIAL.

The Morton Case Given to the Jury. Verdict This Morning.

SOUTH BOSTON, N. A., March 28.—Special.—The trial of Emanuel Morton (colored), at Houston, for killing William Snead (white), at Clover, February 4th, was concluded at 6 o'clock this evening and handed to the jury.

The accused was ably defended by Attorneys Wood, Boudin, Jr., L. C. Watkins, and Henry Edmunds, and made lengthy speeches in Morton's behalf.

Commonwealth's Attorney William Leigh's closing speech was very impressive.

The jury's decision will be heard at 9 A. M. to-morrow.

THE NATIONAL GAME.

Sam Landrum, One of the Coming State League Pitchers.

Samuel Landrum, the young Richmond pitcher, who started his career with McCabe's Tigers, with Howard Holland, Stanley Bigbie and a number of other fast youngsters, who are destined to make their mark in the baseball field, will play with the Newport News team of the State League this season.

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"Pipin" Bishop anticipates big things in the Eastern League this season. He has been retained on the pitching staff of the Syracuse team by Manager Wells, and expects to show up in great shape. His friends here wish him a successful career.

Manager Oils Thompson, of the Jimblettes, has brought out a number of likely youngsters, and in future the "Jimbies" will be considered the "supply club" for the State League.

Zeke Wrigley is rapidly getting the "Spiders" in trim, and when they go up against the Leigh University team next month, a hot game is expected.

Joe Brooks, one of the Richmond youngsters to go into professional ball this season, is a good one. He has played amateur, and some professional ball for three years. He is twenty-two years old, five feet eight and one-half inches in height, and weighs 145 pounds. He will play with Newport News this season.

Oliver Summers, of Philadelphia, said to be a "find," has been signed by Manager Wells for the Richmonds. He comes with good recommendations, and is good on the bases, handles the stick well, and is a fast fielder.

A movement is on foot to have the University of Virginia team and some other big college club play a game in Richmond Carnival week.

Howard Holland is playing with the Horner Military School team, at Oxford, N. C., and will be in fine shape when he is required to report here for the Virginia League practice.

Holland is an enthusiastic worker, and will be a power with the Richmond team. He writes that he is fast getting in trim, and will do his best when the season starts.

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Because purely vegetable—yet thorough, prompt, healthful, satisfactory—

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SHERIFF LEE TELLS HIS STORY

(Continued from First Page.)

peat their efforts to save his life. S. W. LEE, Sheriff, COL. FIELD'S STATEMENT.

PETERSBURG, Va., March 28.—Special.—Colonel E. M. Field, of Petersburg, who was in Emporia Saturday when the lynching of Cotton and O'Grady occurred, says that the affair is inexcusable. That it is due to a crowd of men, who were no more than fifteen or twenty in number.

He did not witness either lynching. He was standing behind a building talking with some of the crowd when he heard two shots fired, and was told that Cotton had been hung.

He then went towards the jail and heard some negro say that they had lynched Cotton, now lynch O'Grady, calling on the white men to do it and not making the request with any idea of retaliation, because one of their race had been hung.

The Colonel then stood in the jail door and reasoned with the mob and tried to persuade them not to take O'Grady out. He said he had not only not been established, but he had been vindicated to some extent by Colton's testimony. The mob moved from the jail and he thought all was over, but soon they were after the prisoner again. The negroes went to the jail door, but could by no means be induced to enter, and white men went into the cell and dragged O'Grady out.

SIZE OF CROWD. Colonel Field estimated the crowd at not more than five hundred, and says he believes not more than twenty were engaged in lynching, the others being mere spectators and there out of curiosity alone.

He talked with numbers of the crowd and all of them said they did not want the negro lynched, but their minds were fully made up that he must die. The penalty of the crime in Greensville county was not taken away to be hung. The Colonel said that a dozen or two of determined men with proper authority would have been sufficient to repulse the mob and save the prisoners.

OFFICERS SUPINE. That the officers acted as if they were mere citizens without any authority at all.

With reference to the statement that the life of the judge and sheriff had been threatened, he said that Judge Goodwyn did not fear at all any violence from the mob, but was afraid that some drunken man might shoot him.

The Colonel will be summoned to appear before the grand jury, but he says he can give no evidence that will incriminate any one.

MR. MOORE REWARDED.

The Capture of Walter Cotton Given Present by Mrs. Wyatt.

NORFOLK, Va., March 28.—Special.—The widow of Mr. Charles Wyatt, of Portsmouth, to-day sent to Mr. W. H. Moore, of Jarratt's, who captured Cotton, the murderer of her husband, a set of silver spoons. Mrs. Wyatt wrote Mr. Moore commending his bravery and expressed regret that she was unable to better reward him.

Nominated by the President. WASHINGTON, March 28.—The President to-day nominated J. J. McCottrill to be collector of customs for the District of Georgetown, S. C., and Thomas Quinney, postmaster at Waynesboro, Ga.

Racing at Little Rock.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., March 28.—Favorites won four out of five events at Clinton Park today. The weather was superb and the track fast. Acushla gave out seventy yards from the wire in the second race. Damocles outclassed his field, winning very handsomely. Monfieldon ran a quarter of a mile before breaking in the fourth race, and later was left at the post. The attendance was large, and a movement is on foot to extend the meeting three days next week.

Results: First race—two-year-olds, half a mile—Monos (even) first, Philma (2 to 1) and 4 to 1 second, Harry Pulletin (10 to 1) third. Time, 1:50.

Second race—five furlongs—Acushla (2 to 1) first, Gath (3 to 5) and 2 to 1 second, Racebud (6 to 1) third. Time, 1:42.5.

Third race—three furlongs, purse—Damocles (4 to 5) first, George H. Ketcham (2 to 1) and 3 to 1 second, Commonwealth's Attorney (3 to 1) third. Time, 1:16.5.

Fourth race—handicap, one mile—Capron (2 to 1) first, Frank (15 to 1) and 2 to 1 second, Shilling Burn (2 to 1) third. Time, 1:44.

Fifth race—mile and a sixteenth—Phallias (even) first, School Girl (8 to 1) and 2 to 1 second, Henry Launt (8 to 1) third. Time, 1:52.

Golf at Old Point.

The Lakeside Country Club has received a telegram from Old Point stating that an event of unusual interest will take place on the Hampton Roads Golf Links next Saturday. On that occasion Willie Dunn, who is conceded to be, perhaps, the best golf-player in the country, will play a match with Vardon, the champion golfer of the world. It is expected that a number of Richmond people, who are interested in golf, will go down to Old Point to witness the match.

Another Race Added.

Another race has been added to the Deep Run Hunt Club events to be held on May 1st, Thursday of Carnival week. This will be a pony race, and it promises to be one of the most interesting of all the events. It will be for ponies fourteen and a half hands, owned and ridden by members of the club and members of their families. Catch weight, one-half ton. There will be no entrance fee. This additional race will make six events in all.

Base-Ball. Mr. C. W. Boyer, of the Hagerstown, Md., formerly owner of the Roanoke ball team, arrived in the city yesterday, and is in conference with Manager Wells with reference to purchasing a half interest in the Richmond team for the coming season.

Cornell, G. Mercer, 1.

MACON, Ga., March 28.—Cornell University beat Mercer University to-day by a score of six to one.

SAMPSON AT OLD POINT.

He Boarded the Kearsarge, Which is Lying Off Fort Monroe.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., March 28.—Rear-Admiral Sampson arrived at Old Point this evening from Washington, and immediately went aboard the battleship Kearsarge, which is lying off Fort Monroe. He will remain on board the ship until the returns from her final acceptance trip, which is to be made next Tuesday, when the Naval Inspection Board will make a test of the warship's speed and guns.

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OFFICIAL FLAG FOR RALEIGH

To be Used by the Mayor on State Occasions.

AN ELECTRIC SIGN WINS.

Ordered Taken Down by the City Authorities, the Court Decides it is a Beautifier and Allows it to Stay Where it is.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 28.—Special.

It was noted some time ago that the city of Raleigh had had made a very handsome flag to present to the Cruiser "Raleigh" as soon as she goes into service again. A companion flag was made for the city and is to be used whenever the Mayor and city officials formally represent the city on any special occasion. Miss Denison, daughter of Captain C. D. Denison, of this city, made the flag.

The Committee on Lights from the Board of Aldermen recommended most strenuously that the city own its own lighting plant when the present contract closes in 1902. The cost to the city for rights for the fiscal year just closing was \$7,406.62.

UNIQUE SUIT. There has been a suit in progress as to an electric sign that has been quite an attraction on the street here. The city ordered it taken down, but the business house fought the order in the courts, and yesterday the Supreme Court decided the costly electric advertisement could continue to be a beautifier of that part of Fayetteville Street.

The work of setting the pedestal of North Carolina granite upon which the bronze statue of Governor Vance is to stand in Capitol Square, was begun yesterday. The foundation of granite and concrete is being placed in the excavation seven feet deep and seven feet square. The pedestal is of Mt. Airy granite, and was cut here. It is 8-1/2 feet high and 7-1/2 feet broad at the base, tapering upwards. The word Vance is cut in raised letters on one side and on the other sides bronze tablets, bearing the inscriptions, torches and wreaths.

AN OLD QUESTION. There was a mass-meeting held last night regarding the chestnut question—how to secure an auditorium. About 100 persons were present. The proposed auditorium is to cost \$10,000.

There will be no more "farmers' institutes" held this spring. The spring work on the farms will occupy the farmers from now on.

OLIVIER SAFE. No Further Possibility of His Being Cut Off.

PRETORIA, Monday, March 28.—United States Consul Hay and his secretary have gone to Koonstadt to make necessary arrangements for United States representation in the Free State.

A dispatch received here from the Boer headquarters in Natal announces that the destruction continues of coal mines. The Dundee colliery has been blown up; the machinery has been destroyed, and the mine has been rendered useless for three months to come.

According to a dispatch from Koonstadt, Commander Olivier has joined General Grobler and Lemmer, who are safe. General Delany is still sick at Pretoria, but he will proceed to the front.

Trains are frequently leaving with burghers for the fighting line on this side of Bloemfontein.

The Standard and Diggers News says it learns that General Olivier, Globbier and Lemmer have arrived at a point sufficiently far north to relieve all apprehensions of the possibility of their being cut off. It is said they will arrive at Wabur in a few days and effect a junction with General DeVet, when the "Federal" position, it is declared, will be held by the Boers.

Reports received from the various banks of the republics show that the cash holdings have increased to \$22,250,000. The Government has commandeered a portion of the gold reserve of all the banks. Bar gold has been given as security to the amount of about \$200,000.

MORE WARRANTS.

Wholesale Charges Against State Officers, Deputies and Clerks.

FRANKFORT, KY., March 28.—Detective Armstrong left to-night for Eastern Kentucky, and it is reported that he has warrants for Republican State officials and others equally prominent. It is said that these warrants were based upon information furnished by W. H. Culton, who is said to have confessed.

Culton was a deputy under Auditor of State Sweeney. Culton was in the Executive building previous to the incursion of the mountaineers previous to the late assassination, and he has told about conference in the State building during January.

All sorts of rumors are circulated. Culton has, it is said, made wholesale charges against State officers, deputies and clerks.

Colonel C. T. Campbell and Arthur Goebel went to Cincinnati to-day.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

Renewed Trouble Between These Countries is Imminent.

LONDON, March 28.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Kobe, dated March 28th, says: "Renewed trouble between Russia and Japan is imminent. The movement of Russian troops to the coast indicates the probability of the seizure of a Korean port."

"The War Office officials at Tokio are holding conferences, and there has been considerable military and naval activity in Japan this month."

Officers of Elks Club.

The Elks' Club met last night and elected the following officers, which are to be installed on next Wednesday, April 4th:

Exalted Ruler, Lewis M. Siegel. Estimated Leading Knight, Frank W. Cunningham. Estimated Loyal Knight, Louis O. Wendenburg. Estimated Lecturer, M. E. Griffin.

Secretary, R. P. A. Burk. Treasurer, John Stamper. Tiler, J. F. Crane. Trustee, Gus E. Delarue. Representative to the Grand Lodge, Phil G. Kelley. Alternate, F. P. Burk.

Japanese Warships in View.

YOKOHAMA, Japan.—The Mikado will review forty Japanese warships off Kobe toward the end of April.

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Explained His Position.

DUBUQUE, IA., March 28.—A letter written by Speaker Henderson to Hon. E. D. Knott, United States Marshal for the Northern District of Iowa, was received to-day showing his position and that of the other Republican members of the House who voted for the Porto Rico tariff bill.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—The Senate to-day agreed to vote on the Porto Rico Government and tariff bill Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. An important utterance was made later in the day on the bill by Mr. Davis, of Missouri, who called for a free trade between the United States and Porto Rico, and urged that the necessary money to be raised by taxation be by an internal revenue tax levied upon rum and tobacco produced on the island. This system, in his opinion, would better suit the people of the United States and those of Porto Rico than the proposed tariff, and would be just, equitable and constitutional.

The amendment offered by Mr. Carter to the Alaskan civil code bill, relating to mining for gold under the waters of Cape Nome, was agreed to, but no further progress was made with the measure.

The conference report on the measure providing additional amounts to supply urgent deficiencies was agreed to.

A successful effort was made by Mr. Foraker to fix a time for a vote on the Porto Rico tariff and government bill.

Mr. Bacon, of Georgia, suggested to-morrow, and Mr. Proctor next Tuesday afternoon the latter was agreed to.

The Alaskan code bill was taken up and Mr. Carter's amendment, offered yesterday, was adopted without division.

Consideration of the Porto Rican bill was then resumed, pending question being upon the free silver coinage amendment, offered by Mr. Morgan. The amendment was defeated—5 to 23.

Mr. Davis then spoke. The Senate, at 4:45 P. M., adjourned.

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